

simple and yet so impeccable that no one doubted that we were in the presence of an awesome leader whose promise of liberation was inspiring.

This is the legacy left by M. Athalie Range. With humble faith, we will now consign her back to the God she loved and served. I am glad that leaders like M. Athalie Range never have to say goodbye, because she will truly live on with us.

TRIBUTE TO H.B. PLANT HIGH
SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL
TEAM

HON. JIM DAVIS

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mr. DAVIS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise in honor of the H.B. Plant High School girls' volleyball players, a powerhouse team who just this weekend won its first Class 5A state volleyball title since 2003.

With a 28–2 record, the number one ranked Panthers defeated Fort Meyers 25–16, 25–23, 25–19 in the championship match at The Lakeland Center. The team was led by senior Christine Williamson's 14 kills, five blocks and 12 digs.

Last season, the Panthers' march to victory was cut short by a heartbreaking loss to Venice during the state regional semifinals. At the beginning of this season, the Panthers made their intentions clear by wearing warm-up t-shirts that read "Unfinished Business." "Unfinished," however, was printed on a strip of Velcro, and on Saturday, the team proudly tore off "Unfinished" to announce their completed mission—"Finished Business."

The Panthers' victory could not have been possible without the tireless efforts of coach Leanna Taylor. The team's final win gave Taylor her first state championship medallion as head coach.

Saturday's victory marked the culmination of countless hours of practice, the team members' unwavering dedication and unmatched skill. On behalf of the entire Tampa Bay community, I commend all the Panthers for their championship win. We are all looking forward to your next season.

GEORGETOWN HONORS FATHER
ROBERT DRINAN

HON. BARNEY FRANK

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, on October 23 one of the most accomplished and distinguished people to serve in this House was the recipient of a wholly deserved high honor from one of the leading law schools in this country—Georgetown Law School. On that day, Georgetown Law School, where Father Drinan has taught since leaving the House twenty-six years ago, established the Robert F. Drinan, S.J., Chair in Human Rights. The establishment of this Chair—a very significant honor in academia—recognizes the pioneering work that Father Drinan did as a Member of this House for ten years,

and his continued commitment to that great work. Few people in our history have had as great a dedication to the cause of human rights and have been so consistently effective in advocating for this cause. Unlike many who have tried to make this a partisan issue, Father Drinan was equally fierce in his objection to human rights violators of the left, right and center, and accepted no excuses from those who would deny the basic rights of others.

Mr. Speaker, Father Drinan served here in this body for ten years as one of its intellectual leaders, having been elected in 1970 as one of the most effective opponents at that time of the war in Viet Nam. He also played a very significant role in the impeachment of President Nixon, insisting that appropriate legal standards be applied in that matter. He was also a leader in matters that did not divide the House on either partisan or ideological lines, for example in the field of copyright, where he made contributions during that period that remain important foundations of our law today.

Mr. Speaker, when Father Drinan declined to run for reelection in 1980 at the direction of Pope John Paul II, I was elected to succeed him. While I had been aware previously of the great respect and affection in which he was held by his colleagues, I came to appreciate that even more fully when I took the seat he had so ably filled in 1981.

In the years since leaving this body, Father Drinan has continued to be a leader in the application of religious teachings to important moral issues; in lecturing and teaching about the law; and of course in continuing his great work in the field of human rights. Georgetown Law School deserves recognition, Mr. Speaker, for establishing this Chair in Father Drinan's name. I congratulate Professor T. Alexander Aleinikoff, who will be the first holder of the Chair, and I ask that the discussion of Father Drinan's work included in the program announcing the event be printed here so that people will understand how important his impact has been on the best traditions of our country.

ROBERT F. DRINAN, S.J., CHAIR IN HUMAN
RIGHTS LAW

Today, Georgetown Law proudly announces the creation of the Robert F. Drinan, S.J., Chair in Human Rights. Priest, scholar, lawyer, politician, activist, ethicist, and one of the nation's leading advocates for international human rights, Father Drinan has dedicated his life to humanitarian causes and to improving the legal profession.

A member of the Law Center's faculty since 1981, Father Drinan teaches courses in international human rights, constitutional law, civil liberties, legislation, legal ethics, and professional responsibility. During his tenure at Georgetown, he has taught over 6,000 students.

Father Drinan earned his B.A. degree in 1942 and his M.A. degree in 1947 from Boston College and his LL.B. in 1949 and LL.M. in 1951 from Georgetown University Law Center. He entered the Society of Jesus while at Boston College, and in 1953, he was ordained a Jesuit priest. From 1956 to 1970, he served as Dean and Professor of Law at Boston College Law School. During the ten years between his deanship and joining the Georgetown Law faculty, he served in the United States Congress as a Representative from Massachusetts, where he was a member of various committees and chair of the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice of the House Judiciary Committee.

Throughout his career, Father Drinan has stood as a leading voice in the human rights

movement. He serves on the boards of numerous organizations devoted to the furtherance of human rights, including the International League for Human Rights, Human Rights First, the Council for a Livable World Education Fund, Americans for Democratic Action, and the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund. He was a founder of the Lawyers' Alliance for Arms Control and the National Interreligious Task Force on Soviet Jewry. Father Drinan has traveled the globe, both as a member of Congress and as a private citizen, on human rights missions to Chile, the Philippines, El Salvador, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Argentina, France, and Vietnam to document human rights abuses and to work for their eradication. He is the author of several notable works on human rights, including *The Mobilization of Shame*, of which Elie Wiesel said, "Anyone interested in human rights will read Robert Drinan's informative, passionate and challenging book with deep concern and hope."

In 2004, Father Drinan joined such American legal luminaries as Oliver Wendell Holmes, Thurgood Marshall, and Sandra Day O'Connor when the American Bar Association awarded him its ABA Medal—the organization's highest honor—which recognizes exceptionally distinguished service to the cause of American jurisprudence. The award citation notes, "For more than half a century, Father Robert F. Drinan has been an esteemed and beloved leader of the bar and a fearless advocate for the powerless and oppressed around the world. . . . Throughout his career, Father Drinan has heeded the call for human rights and social justice. With unparalleled passion and dedication, he has strived to improve the plight of the disadvantaged and oppressed, and to advance the rule of law throughout the world."

Through the generosity of alumni and friends, Georgetown now recognizes and honors one of its greatest sons, Robert F. Drinan, S.J., L'49, L'51, with the creation of the Robert F. Drinan, S.J., Chair in Human Rights. This meaningful and lasting tribute will enable the Law Center to attract teachers, advocates, and scholars who share Father Drinan's passion and concern for liberty, equality of opportunity, and human dignity and who will inspire the next generation of Georgetown Law students to become leaders, protectors, and defenders of human rights.

PAYING TRIBUTE TO DR. MIRIAM
AND SHELDON G. ADELSON

HON. JON C. PORTER

OF NEVADA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor longtime philanthropists and community supporters, Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson for their generous contributions to the Las Vegas community with the endowment of the Adelson School.

The Adelson School is the first and only Jewish High School in the Las Vegas area. The Adelson School will provide these students the opportunity to further their educational ambitions by combining rigorous academic standards with a strong foundation in morality and ethics. Opening during the 2007–08 school year, the Adelson School will provide students with state-of-the-art classrooms with integrated technology, a performing arts center, full-service dining facilities, and a full physical education facility. The physical education facility will include the only indoor, competitive-size swimming pool in Las Vegas. Dr.

Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson donated a charitable \$25 million gift to establish this institution.

Sheldon is the Chairman of the Board and principal owner of Las Vegas Sands Corporation which is the parent company of The Venetian Resort-Hotel-Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the Venetian Macao Limited in Macao, China. Throughout his career as a financial consultant, Sheldon has created and developed over 50 different companies, including COMDEX, a tradeshow he developed for the computer industry. In 1989, Sheldon purchased the Sands Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas and then imploded it in 1991 to develop and build the Venetian Resort-Hotel-Casino, which has become known as one of the finest hotels in the world. Throughout the years, Sheldon has received numerous honorary degrees and other illustrious awards in recognition of his business and philanthropy achievements and success.

Born in Tel Aviv, Israel, Dr. Miriam Adelson has devoted her life to the medical profession and helping others in need. Miriam specializes in internal and emergency medicine, specifically chemical dependency and drug addiction. She heads both the Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson Clinics in Tel Aviv, Israel and Las Vegas, Nevada, which have successfully treated thousands of individuals suffering from heroin and cocaine drug addictions. She has authored several scientific papers about the effects of drug addiction on the human immune system and she continues to serve on the faculty of Rockefeller University as a guest researcher. I applaud her commitment to providing access to quality healthcare and education to the residents of Southern Nevada.

In addition to education and healthcare, Dr. and Mr. Adelson are dedicated supporters of Yad Vashem and other causes in Israel and Jewish communities abroad. As a result of their generous support, the Museum of Holocaust Art at Yad Vashem was established in memory of members of the Zamelson and Farbstein families as well as Dr. Adelson's parents, all of whom perished in the Holocaust.

Mr. Speaker, it is with great honor that I recognize Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson for their unwavering kindness and generous donations to the communities they strive to improve. They are dedicated to improving the quality and the availability of education. The Adelson's enthusiastic commitment to education will help students reach new heights of achievement with the opening of the Adelson School. Dr. Miriam and Sheldon G. Adelson have made a profound difference in our community and we are most fortunate to have such wonderful and caring supporters of education and health care. Their heartfelt dedication is commendable and I wish them luck in all their future endeavors.

ANIMAL ENTERPRISE TERRORISM ACT

SPEECH OF

HON. STEVE ISRAEL

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Monday, November 13, 2006

Mr. ISRAEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to express my concerns with S. 3880, The Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act.

I believe that individuals and groups cannot resort to intimidation, vandalism or violence in the advancement of a cause. Protests must be lawful and disagreements respected. But, this bill, as drafted, could criminalize lawful and constitutionally protected activists.

This bill criminalizes conduct that "intentionally damages or causes the loss of any real or personal property," however, the bill fails to define what "real or personal property" means. As a result, legitimate advocacy—such as a boycott, protest, or mail campaign—that causes an animal enterprise to merely lose profits could be criminalized under S. 3880.

It also fails to adequately define the term "animal enterprise." Nothing in the current definition requires that an enterprise be lawful. Therefore, investigations into unlawful animal enterprises, such as animal fighting organizations or illegal puppy mills, could be deterred as employees, citizens, and legitimate animal activists may be afraid to cooperate or provide information to law enforcement agencies for fear of prosecution under the terms of this bill.

I am a strong supporter of research, but I also believe that animal rights need to be vigilantly enforced. In order to achieve that goal, I have been working with the Humane Society on amendments to the Animal Rights Act, which is the law that governs the humane care, handling, treatment and transportation of animals in laboratories and dealers who sell animals to laboratories and animal exhibitors. My bill would provide two key changes to this law. First, it doubles the fine for violations (from \$5,000 to \$10,000) and increases the number of annual inspections at laboratories.

I will be introducing this measure when the House comes back for the 110th Congress, and I hope that all of my colleagues will join me in providing these additional animal protections.

HONORING PATRICIA THOMPSON OF NAPA, CALIFORNIA

HON. MIKE THOMPSON

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mr. THOMPSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to thank Patricia Thompson for many years of visionary leadership as the city manager of Napa, CA. Pat has been an outstanding leader for all of us over the 17 years she has been with the city, and her hard work and dedication will be felt in the many projects and improvement she nurtured and brought to fruition during that time.

Mrs. Thompson was born in San Diego and attended San Diego State University, where she received first a bachelor's degree and then her Masters of Public Administration with highest honors. She held a number of jobs with cities in Nevada, culminating in 7 years as the city manager of Sparks from 1981–1988. In 1988, Mrs. Thompson was honored by the American Society of Public Administration as the organizations National Administrator of the Year.

The city and people of Napa have benefited immensely from Mrs. Thompson's arrival in 1989. Among the numerous projects that she has spearheaded are infrastructure improvements like the new Highway 29-Trancas interchange, new parks, walking paths, and a fire

station. She has been a leader in attracting businesses to the Napa area through a series of development projects that have restored and expanded commercial spaces in the city. On numerous occasions when a decisive leader was needed, she has stepped in as a temporary Director of Emergency Services to meet the city's needs during floods, drought and the earthquake. She was the main force behind the city of Napa's effort to pass the Measure A Flood Control Sales Tax, and this facilitated ongoing developments and improvements to Napa County's flood control project.

In addition to her busy roll as city manager, Mrs. Thompson has found time to serve on numerous local governance and non-profit boards. Her participation in these forums has allowed the various governments of Napa County to better coordinate their efforts. She has also served as an Advisory Member to the board of the Salvation Army.

Mr. Speaker, it is appropriate at this time that we thank Patricia Thompson for her invaluable service to the city of Napa, and for the numerous projects she has overseen and led to completion. Her exemplary leadership has left a legacy for our community that will extend far into the future.

HONORING BARRY BUCEY AS THCA'S NASHVILLE DISTRICT CAREGIVER OF THE YEAR

HON. BART GORDON

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mr. GORDON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Certified Nursing Assistant Barry Bucey as Tennessee Health Care Association's Caregiver of the Year, representing the Nashville District.

Barry began working at Woodbury Nursing Center 24 years ago as a janitor. After holding additional positions in housekeeping and as a dietary aide, he wanted to be more involved with the patients, so he became a certified nursing assistant. In a job that can be physically and emotionally demanding, Barry helps people with the basic tasks of living while giving them respect and dignity.

Barry's inclination toward helping people is not limited to the patients he assists. He is always more than willing to help other departments as needed, and his previous positions in the facility give Barry valuable understanding of these departments.

I thank Barry for his commitment to helping others, and I commend him on this award.

THE USS "INTREPID"

HON. CAROLYN B. MALONEY

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, December 5, 2006

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my deep admiration for the work done by the Intrepid Foundation and the great Intrepid Sea-Air-Space Museum.

The Museum, the world's largest naval museum, is housed on the historic and battle-scarred USS *Intrepid*.

The Museum pays homage to the valiant efforts of the U.S. Armed Forces in defense of our liberties.